

150th Anniversary of the Kansas National Guard Committee

150th Anniversary Logo Competition



The Kansas National Guard

The Kansas National Guard has a long and proud history. It was first organized as a territorial militia on August 30, 1855, and charged with defending the lives and freedom of the people seeking to make a home on the frontier.



Battle of Prairie Dog Creek, 1867

Since that time, the Kansas Army National Guard – and, since 1946, the Kansas Air National Guard – has stood ready to protect the lives and property of Kansas citizens from natural and man-made threats. Through the years, the Kansas National Guard has also answered the call of our nation to defend and promote freedom in the far corners of the globe. Even today, Kansas Guardsmen are doing their part as they are engaged in operations in Iraq, Afghanistan and other parts of the world.



Mission Statement

The 150th Anniversary of the Kansas National Guard Committee is founded to celebrate and commemorate contributions of the Kansas National Guard for the 150 years since its inception as the Kansas Militia on August 30, 1855, to the present day.

- To fulfill this mission, we will endeavor to:
- Organize events to celebrate the 150th birthday of the Kansas National Guard, culminating in a birthday event on or about August 30, 2005;
 - Recognize the contributions and accomplishments of the Kansas National Guard, its members and their families to local communities, the State and the Nation;
 - Educate the public on the accomplishments of the organization from its inception as a territorial militia through today's joint National Guard; and
 - Promote and support commemorative events to strengthen the relationship between the Kansas National Guard and the public.



Research Resources

The Adjutant General's Department
<http://www.accesskansas.org/ksadjutantgeneral>

Kansas National Guard Museum
<http://skyways.lib.ks.us/museums/kng>

Kansas Facts and History
<http://www.accesskansas.org/facts-history/index.html>

U.S. National Archives and Records Administration
<http://www.archives.gov>

Logo Contest

The 150th Anniversary of the Kansas National Guard Committee is soliciting designs for an official logo to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Kansas National Guard. The logo will be used on official posters, letterheads, print and electronic media and other products.

Logo Submission Requirements

- Must submit finished logo or at least a detailed sketch and description
- Finished entries must be at least 6x6 inches; no larger than 8x10 inches
- Logo is preferred in color
- Must include a narrative explaining each element of the logo
- Competition is open to everyone

Awards

The contestant with the winning design will receive \$500.

Send entries to:

150th Anniversary Logo Competition
Museum of the Kansas National Guard
PO Box 19285
Topeka KS 66619-0285

Entry deadline is June 15, 2004

Application for 501(c)3 tax-exempt status is pending with the Internal Revenue Service

Celebrating 150 years of the Kansas National Guard

**Serving with
honor and pride
since 1855**



1899 - 20th Kansas Volunteers in the Philippines



1925 - The mounted band of the 2nd Battalion, 130th Field Artillery



1951 - Near the 38th Parallel, Korea



1980 - The 184th Tactical Fighter Group took over F-4 training for the U.S. Air Force



1918 - Kansas aviator 2nd Lt. Irvin Bleckley earns posthumous Congressional Medal of Honor



1944 - The 35th Infantry Division enters St. Lo



1968 - On the alert in Vietnam



2003 - The 226th Engineer Co. works on a pipeline in Iraq